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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), a three-month extension of time request is submitted herewith to extend the due date of the response to the Office Action dated October 19, 2004, and made final, and the Advisory Action dated February 24, 2005, for the above-identified patent application, from January 19, 2005, through and including April 19, 2005.

Authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover this extension of time request is also submitted herewith. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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